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The Honorable Stansfield Turner Director, Central Intelligence Agency

Dear Admiral Turner:

Enclosed is a copy of our report to the Congress entitled 'Drug Control in South America Having Limited Success--Some Progress But Problems Are Formidable." The report briefly notes the Central Intelligence Agency's role in the drug control program.

The report discusses the problems and achievements of the U.S. South American drug control program, Drug Enforcement Administration efforts to comply with legislative restrictions on its overseas activities, and some lingering deficiencies in the Department of State's international narcotic control assistance program.

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Large quantities of cocaine and marijuana come to the United States from South America. Despite efforts to stop this flow, it is increasing. Program officials believe the real key to controlling the drug flow is a stronger commitment by South American governments. Without this commitment the problem will probably continue to exist.

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